Rt Hon Sir Keir Starmer MP
Prime Minister
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Dear Sir Keir,

Standing in front of 10 Downing St nearly a year ago, you rightly said that "lack of trust can only be healed by actions not words." Today, Full Fact is urging you to take the action we asked you to prioritise back then, which have become pressing concerns for the year ahead.

1) **Create the Commission for Ethics and Integrity** without any further delay. Your manifesto promised to set up the Commission "to ensure probity in government," but action on this is visibly absent. It is hard to see how your government can heal lack of trust without delivering on this promise.

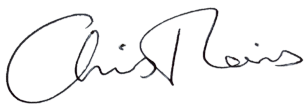
2) Adhere to the Ministerial Code, and the Code of Practice for Statistics. Your Ministerial Code describes you as "the ultimate judge of the standards of behaviour expected of a minister", yet when asked by us, you and several of your ministers have so far failed to correct "any inadvertent error at the earliest opportunity", as the code prescribes. Unless you improve this, and **lead by example in ensuring any inaccuracies are corrected**, other efforts to restore trust will be seriously undermined.

3) **Prioritise the fight against misinformation** and equip the public with the tools to detect bad information online. Your government has a clear opportunity to rethink the Online Safety Act and ensure it tackles bad information, beyond the scope of the Act you inherited.

After the General Election, Full Fact launched the Government Tracker, which enables the public to judge how your government is delivering on its promises. While some progress has been made, there are a number of pledges with unclear or undefined targets. We ask that going forward you make a clear commitment to clearly defined targets that allow the public to accurately assess the government's progress against what they voted for.

Your next year of government will be a critical one for the public and democracy. We hope to see more of the action you promised when taking office, and Full Fact will be closely monitoring this progress.

Yours sincerely,



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